

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. 10/597,562

Attorney Docket No. MCL2.P001NP

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF INSUFFICIENT FEES

This document responds to the Notice of Insufficient Fees dated April 22, 2008.

The Applicant has reviewed the claim fee calculation worksheet and points out that the worksheet erroneously shows claim 19 as independent, when in fact it is a dependent claim. Therefore, an excess claim fee of only \$105.00 is required.

In the case of national-stage search and examination fees, the Notice erroneously states that the applicant owes \$50 for a search fee and \$105 for an examination fee. The above-referenced application is PCT application no. PCT/IB05/50113, for which the USPTO served as the International Search Authority and issued a Written Opinion dated May 17, 2006. In that Written Opinion, claims 5-8 and 18-25 were found to have (1) Novelty, (2) Inventive Step, and (3) Industrial Applicability. As a result, the Applicant amended the national-stage application to cancel all other claims, leaving the claims found favorable by the Written Opinion as the only remaining pending claims. Therefore, in accordance with Rule 492(b) and (c), neither a national-stage search fee nor a national-stage examination fee is required, and no late surcharges apply.

Accordingly, the Applicant hereby submits a total of \$105.00 to cover all required outstanding fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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